## House Resolution No. 987

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Cathy Cox of Odessa, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction for her work with the Economic Development Task Force, for which she has contributed to the development of the economic development plan, economic development marketing plan, incentive utilization guidelines, main street corridor, adjacent neighborhood plan, and various marketing materials for the city of Grain Valley; and

Whereas, Cathy Cox recently enhanced her already impressive record of accomplishment when she was selected to receive a Grow Grain Valley Award from the Grain Valley Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, the Grow Grain Valley Award recognizes individuals or businesses that have demonstrated exceptional focus in helping Grain Valley grow in a positive manner; and

Whereas, the Grow Grain Valley Award also recognizes commitment to advocacy for economic development; visionary thinking that benefits new and existing area business and that adds to the overall value of the community; and exceptional efforts to attract, retain, and maintain business or to provide a new product or service to the community; and

**Whereas**, Cathy Cox lives on a farm southeast of Odessa with her two children, fourteen-year-old Kelsey and twelve-year-old Cody; and

Whereas, Cathy Cox has prepared for her diverse endeavors in life by earning a certificate from the Mid America Regional Council Local Government Program, attending the University of Northern Iowa Heartland Economic Development Course, and graduating from the University of Kansas Certified Public Manager Program; and

Whereas, a member of Odessa First Baptist Church, Cathy Cox also deserves mention of her receipt of numerous awards, honors, and accolades as an outstanding and civic-minded citizen:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Cathy Cox for a Grow Grain Valley Award from the Grain Valley Chamber of Commerce and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success in life for many more years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Cathy Cox of Odessa, Missouri.

Offered by

Representative Bryan Pratt District No. 55

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 987, adopted March 11, 2008.